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## Statement of **CHUNG I. CHANG** Office of Aerospace Development Coordinator

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## HOUSE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & BUSINESS

Wednesday, March 22, 2019 2:45PM State Capitol, Conference Room #414

In consideration of

## SCR 196 and SR 159

REQUESTING THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM CONVENE AN INTERNATIONAL MOON BASE ALLIANCE COMMITTEE TO PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS AND GUIDANCE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF EVOLABLE LUNAR ARCHITECTURE ON THE ISLAND OF HAWAII.

Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Taniquchi and members of the Committee. The Office of Aerospace Development appreciates the intent of SCR 196 and SR 159 and offers the following comments. SCR 196 and SR 159 creates a committee called the international moon base alliance to provide recommendations and guidance for the development of a prototype moon base on the island of Hawaii.

At present, the office of aerospace development does not have the sufficient staff or resources to support another space committee. There is already within DBEDT, the Hawaii Aerospace Advisory Committee and the Pacific International Space Center for Exploration Systems Board, both of which may be able to provide the recommendations and guidance for the evolvable lunar architecture.

With limited resources, office of aerospace has prioritized supporting growth of business that have potential to create the most jobs are our primary focus.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.